

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

**ORIGINAL APPLICATION**

As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship is as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**TRANSIENT SUPPRESSION APPARATUS FOR POTENTIALLY  
EXPLOSIVE ENVIRONMENTS**

the specification of which

- ☒ is attached hereto;  
☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_;  
☐ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim the benefit of foreign priority under 35 USC §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s):

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(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year)

Priority Claimed:

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

I hereby claim the benefit of United States priority under 35 §§ USC 120 and 363 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of

this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 USC §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to the patentability of this application as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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